

9 performing an accounting operation for providing said purchaser with said first data, ^{total price}
 10 the purchase request of which is made by said purchaser, in a case that said third data which
 11 is retrieved, is matched with said third data which is recorded in said purchaser rewritable
 12 record medium; and

13 recording in said purchaser rewritable record medium said first data and said third
 14 data for representing the purchase information of said first data and registering in said data
 15 providing system said third data for representing the purchase information of said first data,
 16 when said accounting operation is finished.--

20 --29. The data providing method according to claim 28, wherein said purchase
 information includes an accounting information representing said accounting operation.--

21 --30. The data providing method according to claim 29, wherein said accounting
 information includes:

a deposited money amount information for representing an amount of deposited
 money which is deposited in order to purchase said first data;

a paid money amount information for representing an amount of paid money which is
 paid in order to purchase said first data; and

a balance amount information for indicating a balance after said first data is
 purchased.--

22 --31. The data providing method according to claim 28, wherein said purchase
 information includes a data specification information for specifying said first data when said
 accounting operation is finished.--

23 --32. The data providing method according to claim 31, wherein said data
 specification information includes:

a tile information for representing a tile of said first data;

a purchase price information for representing a purchase price of said first data; and

a purchase data and time information for representing a data and time when said first data is purchased.--

--33. The data providing method according to claim 28, wherein said purchase information includes:

an accounting information for representing said accounting operation; and

a data specification information for specifying said first data when said accounting operation is finished.--

--34. The data providing method according to claim 33,

wherein said retrieving said third data of said purchaser is set to retrieve at least one information from said accounting information and said data specification information, and

wherein said performing said accounting operation, for which information retrieved by said retrieving said third data of said purchaser is matched with an information which corresponds to said retrieved information and is recorded in said purchaser rewritable record medium.--

--35. The data providing method according to claim 28, wherein said purchase information includes:

a title information for representing a title of said first data;

a purchase data and time information for representing a date and time when said first data is purchased;

a deposited money amount information for representing an amount of deposited money which is deposited in order to purchase said first data;

a paid money amount information for representing an amount of paid money which is paid in order to purchase said first data; and

a balance amount information for indicating a balance after purchasing said first data.--

--36. The data providing method according to claim 28, wherein said performing said accounting operation comprises:

a determination process for determining whether said purchaser meets a predetermined data purchase requirement or not, based on said second data; and

an accounting performing process for performing said accounting operation when it is determined by said determination process that said data purchase requirement is met.--

--37. The data providing method according to claim 36, wherein said data purchase requirement is an age limit requirement representing an age capable of purchasing said first data.--

--38. The data providing method according to claim 28, wherein said recording in said purchaser rewritable record medium said first data is set to accumulate said third data in said purchaser rewritable record medium and said data providing system every time when said accounting operation is finished.--

--39. The data providing method according to claim 28, further comprising recording a price information for representing a predetermined price in said purchaser rewritable record medium by said data providing system, when said purchaser meets a predetermined money requirement.--

--40. The data providing method according to claim 28, wherein said third data which is registered in said data providing system, is controlled such that said purchaser can not rewrite said third data.--

--41. The data providing method according to claim 28, wherein said purchaser rewritable record medium is a record medium having only a recording function as a function.--

--42. The data providing method according to claim 28, wherein said data providing system comprises:

a data delivery portion for delivering said first data in order to provide said purchaser with said first data; and

a data intermediate portion connected with said data delivery portion via a communication line, for intermediating between said data delivery portion and said purchaser.--

--43. The data providing method according to claim 42, wherein said third data is registered in said data delivery portion.--

--44. The data providing method according to claim 43, wherein said performing the accounting operation is performed by said data delivery portion.--

--45. The data providing method according to claim 44, wherein said retrieving said third data of said purchaser comprises:

a transmission process for transmitting said second data and said third data recordings in said purchaser rewritable record medium from said data intermediate portion to said data delivery portion via said communication line; and

a retrieval process for retrieving, by said data delivery portion, said third data registered in said data delivery portion, based on said second data transmitted by said transmission process, and

wherein said performing said accounting operation comprises:

a determination process for determining by said data delivery portion whether said third data transmitted by said transmission process is matched with said third data retrieved by said retrieval process or not; and

an accounting performing process for performing said accounting process when it is determined by said determination process that the matching is obtained.--

--46. The data providing method according to claim 42, wherein said third data is registered in said data intermediate portion.--

--47. The data providing method according to claim 42, wherein said retrieving said third data and said performing said accounting operation are performed by said data intermediate portion.--

--48. The data providing method according to claim 42, wherein said data intermediate portion is a data processing apparatus installed in a shop which sells said first data to said purchaser.--

--49. The data providing method according to claim 48, wherein said recording in said purchaser rewritable record medium said first data comprises:

a transmission process for transmitting said first data from said data delivery portion to said data intermediate portion via said communication line every time when said accounting operation is finished;

a record process for recording by said data intermediate portion said first data which is transmitted by said transmission process and said third data relating to said first data, in said purchaser rewritable record medium every time when said accounting operation is finished; and

a register process for registering, by said data delivery portion, said third data relating to said first data for which said accounting operation is finished in said data delivery portion every time when said accounting operation is finished.--

--50. The data providing method according to claim 48, wherein said recording in said purchaser rewritable medium said first data comprises:

a transmission process for transmitting said first data from said data delivery portion to said data intermediate portion in advance;

a record process for recording, by said data intermediate portion, said first data which is transmitted by said transmission process when said accounting operation is finished, and said third data relating to said first data in said purchaser record medium every time when said accounting operation is finished; and

a register process for registering, by said data delivery portion, said third data relating to said first data for which said accounting operation is finished, in said data delivery portion every time when said accounting operation is finished.--

--51. The data providing method according to claim 50, wherein said transmission process is set to transmit said first data from said data delivery portion to said intermediate portion by distributing a data record medium in which said first data is recorded, from said data delivery portion to said data intermediate portion, in advance.--

--52. The data providing method according to claim 48, wherein said purchase information includes an accounting information representing said accounting operation, and

wherein said accounting information includes a deposited money amount information for representing an amount of deposited money which is deposited in order to purchase said first data, a paid money amount information for representing an amount of paid money which is paid in order to purchase said first data, a balance amount information for indicating a balance after purchasing said first data, an accounting data and time information for representing a date and time when said accounting operation is performed, and a shop information for representing said data sale shop when a sale of said first data is performed.--

--53. The data proving method according to claim 48, wherein said purchase information includes data specification information for specifying said purchased first data, and

wherein said data specification information includes a title information for representing a title of said first data, a purchase price information for representing a purchase price of said first data, a shop information for representing a shop for which said first data is purchased, a purchase date and time information for representing a date and time when said first data is purchased, and a machine information for representing said data sale machine when a writing of said first data is performed.--

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--54. The data providing method according to claim 48, wherein said purchase information includes:

- a title information for representing a title of said purchased first data,
- a deposited money amount information for representing an amount of deposited money which is deposited in order to purchase said first data,
- a paid money amount information for representing an amount of paid money which is paid in order to purchase said first data,
- a balance amount information for indicating a balance after purchasing said first data,
- a purchase data and time information for representing a purchase date and time of said first data,
- a shop information for representing said data sale shop when said first data is purchased, and
- a sale machine information for representing said data sale machine through which writing of said first data is performed in said purchaser rewritable record medium.--

--55. The data providing method according to claim 42, wherein said data intermediate portion is a data processing apparatus installed in said purchasers side.--

REMARKS

Claims 28-55 are pending. By the Office Action, claims 13-25 are withdrawn from consideration: claim 2 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. §101; claims 2-12, 26 and 27 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph; and claims 1-2 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b). By this Amendment, claims 1-27 are canceled without prejudice to or disclaimer of the subject matter contained therein and claims 28-55 are added. No new matter has been added.

Claims 13-25 are directed to a non-elected invention and thus canceled without prejudice to or disclaimer of the subject matter contained therein. However, Applicant